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In re Application of	:	
Horst et al.	:	
Application No. 10/803,308	:	ON PETITION
Filed: March 18, 2004	:	
Attorney Docket No. 502611-CIP	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1), filed May 12, 2006, to make the above-identified application special based on applicant's age as set forth in M.P.E.P. § 708.02, Section IV.

The petition is **GRANTED**.


A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 CFR 1.102(c)(1) and MPEP § 708.02, Section IV: Applicant's Age must be accompanied by evidence showing that at least one of the applicants is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or a statement by applicant. No fee is required.

The instant petition includes an Affidavit from the applicant, Patricia J. Horst. Accordingly, the above-identified application has been accorded "special" status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-3206. All other inquiries concerning either the examination or status of the application should be directed to the Technology Center.

There is an outstanding Office action mailed April 6, 2006 that requires a reply.

This matter is being referred to the Technology Center Art Unit 3677 to await a reply to the Office action and for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.


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